



## DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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## **MEMORANDUM**

February 17, 2012

TO:

Agricultural Advisory Committee Members (AAC)

FROM:

Jeremy V. Criss, Agricultural Services Manager

Department of Economic Development

SUBJECT:

Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Tuesday, February 21, 2012

Please be advised that the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at the UpCounty Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road Germantown in Room B at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting agenda is on the next page.

The other attachments for our meeting will be posted on the Agricultural Services web site. Due to the County's paper reduction mandate, please print these attachments out and bring them with you to the meeting.

See you on February 21, 2012.

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## Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda – February 21, 2012

- 1. Introductions: If needed
- 2. Approval of the AAC Minutes from January 17, 2012. (See Attachment A.)
- Update on the UME-Agronomy Educator Position-Recommendation from the UME-Central Md Cluster-Frederick, Howard, and Montgomery Counties on how to collectively fund the UME-Agronomy Educator Position for the Cluster. (See Attachment B.)
- Robert and Drew Stabler Inducted into the Governor's Maryland Agriculture Hall of Fame. The film
  presentation will be available on the County U-Tube.
- New Appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee-We still have one more farmer representatives to replace Kelly Lewis.
- Montgomery County Local Bills- The Land Use and Transportation Committee of the County Delegation has approved MC 7-12 Septic Easements and MC 16-12 (HB 722) Recorded Covenants.
- 7. Discussion surrounding the proposed changes to the Legislative Intent of the Rural Density Transfer Zone. (See Attachment C.)
- 8. The Montgomery County Food Policy Council conducted their first meeting on February 15, 2012. (See Attachment D.) <a href="http://www.mocofoodcouncil.org/">http://www.mocofoodcouncil.org/</a>
- 9. The March 20, 2012 meeting will be back in Derwood and the remaining meetings for 2012 will be in Germantown.

## **Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board, February 21, 2012@7:30 pm
Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting, February 21, 2012@7:00 pm-New Time
Montgomery County Annual Farmers Market Master meeting, February 23, 2012@9:30am
Annual Meeting for the CE and the AAC and the APAB, February 23, 2012@7:00pm
MCA Agricultural Producers Summit, February 24, 2012@1:00pm Linden Farm
Winter Agronomy Meeting, February 29, 2012@9:00am Urbana Fire Hall
Sugarloaf Citizens Association-DED-ZTA meeting, March 12, 2012@7:00pm
Montgomery Weed Control Annual Meeting, March 16, 2012@9:30am
MD/VA AMPs conference March 29-30, 2012

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